Citrusvil | Harvest

A multidisciplinary job with constant development

Citrusvil employs up to 4000 people through company contractors during the lemon harvest. Taking multidisciplinary coordinated actions, our workstream has been greatly improved in order to guarantee the highest quality when the fruit arrives at our industries and packing sites.



Regional Development: We create formal employment

Citrus activity is the second most important activity in the province. It employs more than 4500 workers in Tucumán during the harvest from March to September. Citrusvil as a leader in this sector, stands out for its productive and organizational performance in the labor sector. Our commitment throughout 30 years has been that our workers are registered in their jobs and this must be emphasized since illegal employment is frequent in this context.

This is why we defend formal employment and prevent child labor in every way by means of a coordinated effort among the different sectors of our company through the Fundación Vicente Lucci.

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We harvested 250.000 tons of fruit in a period of 150 days throughout 5.800 productive hectares. This is possible due to the coordination between our sector and packings and industrial facilities. We coordinate our work efficiently together with supervisors and contractors.

"Our team has been able to respond effectively to adverse conditions that we had to face. It has proved to be a real solid working team showing a big capacity to adapt to several different circumstances" says Jorge Arce, Harvest Manager.



Harvest: constant development

ID cards were implemented through the RFID system three years ago and we continue to use it to improve our worker's efficiency.

Since we obtained such positive results with this technology, we decided to develop a new system in order to simplify the foremen ´s task. It consists of storing information about the different harvest sectors.

This allows us to simplify administrative tasks and to bring together all the information from contracting firms. It has also favored a better internal and external communication.

Mechanized Harvest

This year we started to use the vibration machine COE and obtained positive results by comparing them to other machines.

We believe that by continuing this research line and by adapting machines to specific lemon characteristics, we will obtain better results.



We are always searching for new ways of improvement and reaching out for new goals. This is why we take into consideration new technology that is implemented in the domestic and the international sectors, other than lemons. This is a good way to assess how we can improve our workstream taking into account that changes are always gradual regarding harvest matters.



Jorge Arce Harvest Manager

Challenges for the Future

Our challenges for the future are based on two pillars which are fundamental for our company, innovation and constant development:

• To develop a traceability system that will allow us to follow the quality of the harvest and the harvesters. In this way we can detect flaws and correct them, improving our service so that the fruit arrives on time at into our packings and industrial facilities.

• To continue working together with different Institutions hoping that the Argentine Government will take the necessary measures to favor growth and formal improvement in our sector.